

Like many of you, I woke up this morning to devastating news. The U.S. Ambassador to Libya and three other embassy personnel were killed last night at the U.S. Consulate in Benghazi, Libya. These brave Americans gave their lives in service to our country.

Last year, the United States sustained a NATO coalition to help stop the bloodshed of the Libyan people by their former dictator Muammar Gaddafi. Now our Ambassador to Libya, Christopher Stevens, is dead – killed by the very people we helped save. Americans can tolerate ingratitude; Americans can tolerate insult; but Americans cannot tolerate the senseless killing of the official representative of our country and three other diplomatic personnel. The governing structures of Libya must respond in the strongest way. They should publicly state their condemnation and their commitment to restoring order.

Earlier today, I spoke on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives to condemn these killings and comment on the overrunning of our embassy in Cairo, Egypt. Please click [here](#) if you would like to [view the speech](#)

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